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2. I advised Don that we had no operational interest in Subject as such, but that he might come to the attention of the intel community after he arrives since his case seems to be unique, i.e. an American who became a Soviet citizen and then comes out to [redacted] attend a USA sponsored International conference. Don said there were others like that, and he seemed to remember hearing something about Subject. He will check and advise.

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Don called me back to advise that he checked with the State Dept. and found that they were not yet decided whether or not to grant Subject a visa; however if we had an ops interest they would consider it. I replied we had no special interest in him and would not want anyone to make special exemptions for Subject on our behalf. Don also stated that the Conference in question is "Decisions, Problems and Group Theory", 21 Aug - 6 Sept 69, in Irvine, Cal. Subject is not an official invitee. Don will advise his own Hqs in case Subject gets his visa and shows up to the Conference.

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Conf. on Algebraic Problems, Theory of Groups, Irvine Campus,  
U. of Cal., 1-6 Sept 69

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